UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

COREY LOUIS HINES,)	
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Petitioner,)	
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v.)	No. 4:10-CV-1764-DDN
)	
LISA J.W. HOLLINGWORTH,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on petitioner's petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner seeks to overturn three 1991 state convictions. Petitioner states that his sentencing dates were June 7, 1991, June 4, 1991, and May 30, 1991. Petitioner further states that he was sentenced to "7 yrs MDOC; 10 yrs, 7 yrs MDOC; 30 days MSI." Petitioner is currently serving a federal sentence for other charges and is incarcerated at USP Marion.

District courts have jurisdiction to entertain petitions for habeas relief only from persons who are "in custody in violation of the Constitution or laws or treaties of the United States." 28 U.S.C. § 2241(c)(3). The custody requirement is fulfilled when a petitioner is in custody "under the conviction or sentence under attack at the time his petition is filed." Maleng v. Cook, 490 U.S. 488, 490-91 (1989). Where, as is the case here, a sentence has fully expired, the custody requirement is not met. Id. As a result,

this Court does not have jurisdiction over the instant petition. This action will be summarily dismissed. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(h)(3); Rule 4 of the Rules Governing § 2254 Cases.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that petitioner's motion to proceed in forma pauperis is GRANTED [Doc. #2].

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that petitioner's petition for habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 is **DISMISSED** for lack of jurisdiction.

A separate Order of Dismissal will be filed with this Memorandum and Order.

Dated this 29th day of September, 2010.

/s/ Jean C. Hamilton
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE